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<u>Amendments to the Claims:</u> This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A bifurcated stent being expandable from an unexpanded state to an expanded state, the stent comprising:

a trunk region, the trunk region having a self-expandable section constructed from a first material and a balloon expandable section constructed from a second material, the balloon expandable section extending from a first end of the self-expandable section, in the expanded state the balloon expandable section is less compressible than the self-expandable section; and

at least one self-expandable branch fixedly connected to and extending from a second end of the self-expandable section of the trunk region, in the expanded state the balloon expandable section is less compressible than the at least one self-expandable branch, wherein the self-expandable branch does not include a balloon-expandable section.

- 2. (Original) The stent of claim 1 wherein the balloon expandable section of the trunk region comprises a cut tube of stent material comprising a plurality of interconnected members defining a plurality of cell spaces.
- 3. (Original) The stent of claim 1 wherein the balloon expandable section of the trunk region comprises a cut sheet of stent material formed into a tubular shape, the tubular shape comprised of a plurality of interconnected members defining a plurality of cell spaces.
- 4. (Original) The stent of claim 1 wherein the self-expandable section of the trunk region and at least a portion of the at least one self-expandable branch is at least partially constructed from at least one strand of braided stent material.
- 5. (Original) The stent of claim 1 wherein the balloon expandable section of the trunk region comprises at least one distally extending member and the self-expandable section of the trunk region comprises at least one proximally extending member, the at least one proximally extending member and the at least one distally extending member being engaged to each other.
- 6. (Original) The stent of claim 5 further comprising at least one crimping member, the at least one crimping member disposed about the at least one proximally extending member and the at least one distally extending member.

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- 7. (Original) The stent of claim 6 wherein the at least one crimping member is at least partially constructed of a radiopaque material.
- 8. (Original) The stent of claim 1 wherein the balloon expandable section of the trunk region is at least partially constructed of stainless steel.
- 9. (Original) The stent of claim 1 wherein at least one of the self-expandable section of the trunk region and the at least one self-expandable branch is at least partially constructed of a shape memory material
- 10. (Previously Presented) The stent of claim 1 wherein the shape memory material is nitinol.
- 11. (Original) The stent of claim 1 further comprising at least one vessel engagement member, the at least one vessel engagement member extending from at least a portion of the balloon expandable section, the at least one vessel engagement member selected from the group consisting of hooks, barbs, T-fasteners, bumps, ridges, and any combination thereof.
- 12. (Original) The stent of claim 1 further comprising at least one layer of graft material, the at least one layer of graft material positioned on at least one of an inside surface and outside surface of at least a portion of at least one of the trunk region and the at least one self-expandable branch to define a fluid passageway therethrough.
 - 13-17. (Canceled).